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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Eija Marjut Pirhonen, Timo Pohjonen, and Jan Nieuwenhuis)	Examiner: Micah-Paul Young
Serial No.:	10/006,796)	Art Unit: 1618
Filed:	December 4, 2001)	Conf. No.: 9843
Title: BIODEGRADABLE IMPLANT AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ONE)))	

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review mailed February 21, 2007, following Applicants' submission of a Notice of Appeal on January 22, 2007, Applicants submit herewith a supplemental amendment and response to the final Office Action issued on September 22, 2006. This amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Kindly enter the following claim amendments and reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 6 of this paper.